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WASHINGTON.

Another Day's Debate in the Senate on the Amnesty Bill.

Leading Provisions of the Senate Apportionment Bill.

Affairs of the Post Office Department to be Investigated.

The Legislative, Executive, and Judicial Appropriation Bill Considered in the House.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

APPORTIONMENT BILL.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.--The Apportionment Bill reported to-day was rather to suit the matter before the Senate than an expression of the opinion of the committee. Its chances in its present form are very doubtful in the Senate, and it is almost sure to fail if sent to the House, as the latter body will insist upon its bill. There are strong indications that the Senate may so amend the bill reported from the Committee as to present a nearer to the House measure, and in this course will be favored by several members of the Senate Committee.

AMNESTY.

seems to be in pretty much of a muddle in the Senate, and the debate to-day has not given either friends or opponents of the measure much light upon the final result. The friends of amnesty feel confident that if a direct vote could be had it would succeed, but some of the amendments now pending bid fair to bring defeat to the whole.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION BILL.

General Garfield's first attempt at managing an Appropriation bill on the floor to-day has excited general commendation. There are few precedents for the amount of work which the House finished on this particular Appropriation bill to-day.

THE SYNDICATE BUSINESS.

Messrs. Kerr, Beck, and Brooks have not decided whether they will make a formal minority report upon the investigation into the offer of the Syndicate, or content themselves with submitting their views on the floor in debate. They are not confident that a direct vote could be had on the subject as now before the House, because of the defection of Democrats who hold that the whole matter is a political trick, and that the Secretary did violate the act in that part of the contract with the Syndicate which allowed the use of funds received from sales for a considerable time without interest.

CLAYTON'S CASE.

The Committee to investigate the charges against Senator Clayton met to-day. Edwards, who received a certificate of election to the House from Clayton, was examined regarding the circumstances of his receiving certificates, a synopsis of which was given in the morning dispatches.

The consideration of the Apportionment bill has raised the question among the lawyers of the Senate as to the number of Electors to which each State would be entitled under a new apportionment, and a number hold that under the first section, Article 2, of the Constitution, the number of Electors must equal the number of Senators and members to which each State is entitled for the Congress during which the election is held. This view has been heretofore ignored in two Electoral Colleges.

BULLOCK'S CASE.

The Committee on Education and Labor to-day acted the House to transfer the consideration of the case of Disbursing Officer Bullock to the Military Committee, which was done. It was held that since the transaction took place in a Bureau of the War Department, and involved a military officer, the latter Committee should consider the matter.

POST OFFICE INVESTIGATION.

The House Post Office Committee met to-day to arrange for an investigation of the charges against the Postmaster General in connection with the letting of contracts and the system of straw bids. A list of witnesses was presented, and they have been summoned for Friday.

PATENT OFFICE RECEIPTS.

From the report of Commissioner Leggett, submitted to-day, it appears that the receipts of the Patent Office for the year were $178,719; expenditures, $232,621; surplus paid into the Treasury, $118,634.

ESTIMATES FOR RIVER IMPROVEMENTS.

The Chief Engineer has sent in an estimate for improving a portion of the Tennessee River. The cost of deepening the channel from Knoxville to Kingston to two and a half feet will be $75,000; to three and half feet, $125,000.

(To the Associated Press.)

ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.--The Senate Foreign Committee to-day voted to request the Secretary of State to withdraw the name of Charles Hale as Assistant Secretary of State.

INVESTIGATION DEMANDED.

In view of the charges made in newspapers against Postmaster General Creswell, of dishonesty in making mail contracts, that gentleman having asked for an investigation, this Committee, friends or opponents of the Administration will come to-morrow morning and will commence the examination on Thursday.

GAMBLERS.

Judge Carter charged the Grand Jury to-day, saying Washington was infested with gambling places, and it was the duty of the jury to land all the keepers in jail as far as possible.

FRENCH.

NOMINATIONS CONFIRMED.

The Senate in executive session to-day received a message from the President withdrawing the nomination of Willard Warner as Collector of Customs for the Port of Mobile, Ala.

Under the Apportionment bill reported to the Senate to-day, 187,198 is fixed as the number of inhabitants entitled to a member of the House, which gives 321 members to the House, and by fractions 11, and Delaware, Nebraska, Nevada, Maryland, Oregon, and West Virginia, 1 Representative. The States which obtain each Representative by fractions are Tennessee, Maine, Virginia, Ohio, New York, North Carolina, Minnesota, West Virginia, Kansas, Missouri, Indiana, Louisiana, Iowa, California and Georgia. This comparison is made with the apportionment under the census of 1860. The bill provides that from and after the 3d day of March, 1873, the House of Representatives shall be composed of 243 members, to be apportioned among the several States in accordance with the provisions of this act, that is to say, by the States as follows:

Maine	4	Kentucky	10
New Hampshire	2	Tennessee	8
Vermont	3	Indiana	11
Massachusetts	11	Illinois	14
Rhode Island	1	Missouri	11
Connecticut	4	Arkansas	3
New York	28	Michigan	6
New Jersey	5	Florida	1
Pennsylvania	24	Texas	6
Delaware	1	Iowa	7
Maryland	6	Wisconsin	8
Virginia	9	California	3
North Carolina	7	Minnesota	2
South Carolina	5	Oregon	1
Georgia	9	Kansas	2
Alabama	8	West Virginia	3
Mississippi	6	Nevada	1
Louisiana	5	Nebraska	1
Total	243		

Provided, that if, after such apportionment shall have been made, any new State shall be admitted into the Union, the Representative or representatives of such new State shall be added to the number 243 herein limited. It also provides that no State shall hereafter be admitted to the Union without having the necessary population to entitle it to at least one Representative, according to the ratio of Representation fixed in this bill. Should any State after the passage of the act deny or abridge the right of any of the male inhabitants of such State, being 21 years of age, and citizens of the United States, or in any way abridge except for participation in rebellion or other crime, the number of Representatives apportioned in this act to such State shall be reduced in the proportion which the number of such male citizens shall bear to the whole number of male citizens 21 years of age in such States.

CONGRESSIONAL.

SENATE.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. POMEROY, from the Committee on Public Buildings, reported a bill setting apart certain lands in the Grand waters of the Yellowstone River as a park reservation.

Mr. SHERMAN, from the Committee on Finance, reported a bill to allow the importation free of duty of certain machinery designed for experiments in mining in Louisiana. Passed.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION BILL.

The expiration of the morning hour brought up the unfinished business the Amnesty bill. It was laid aside to take up the bill for the relief of the Chicago sufferers.

Mr. CHANDLER proposed an amendment exempting the provisions of the bill to certain States in Louisiana. The threatening to give fire to debate.

Mr. MORTON called for the regular order.

THE AMNESTY BILL.

and addressed the Senate upon it. He declared opposed to universal suffrage, and characterized the measure as one by which it was based upon sickly sentimentalism and spurious generosity. He thought there was a good deal of misapprehension about the question of amnesty. The disabilities now resting upon those who took part in the rebellion. It was, perhaps, generally known that Jefferson Davis and all his followers had much right to vote as any man who served in the Rebel army. He reviewed the history of the Fourteenth Amendment, and argued that the Constitution in authorizing Congress to remove disabilities by a two-thirds vote was not designed to authorize the removal of disabilities in a wholesale manner, but only from individuals. It was therefore to be construed by the Fourteenth Amendment. He opposed the bill as the measure of justice. He was willing, however, to support a bill that he never would vote for if it was passed through the Congress of 1860. The bill provides that from and after the 3d day of March, 1873, the House of Representatives shall be composed of 243 members, to be apportioned among the several States in accordance with the provisions of this act, that is to say, by the States as follows:

Mr. THURMAN said that, if this House bill was so satisfactory to the Senator, he was at a loss to account for the latter's opposition to the amendment on this occasion, as no one had proposed to amend this bill so as to make it apply universally. He thought its terms were confined entirely to account for it. The Senator from Indiana had acted in this opportunity to make a speech which would strike the key-note of the coming campaign. That function lay on one devolved upon him, or he was assumed by him, that it had passed into the common law of the Radical party that he should do this at the beginning of every campaign, and the only regret he (Thurman) had on the subject was that in all the years during which the Senator had been doing this music he had not discovered a new tone or even a single new note. [Laughter] It was the same old story about wickedness and rebellion, and the Democratic party, and the same old array of terrible results which would follow if the Democratic party should get into power, and could be found nowhere else but in that Senator's imagination.

Mr. BLAIR suggested that it was the same note that Mr. Morton struck in 1865, when he made the speech in favor of President Johnson.

Mr. THURMAN. I leave my hearers to settled between the Senator from Missouri (Blair) and the Senator from Indiana (Morton). The Senator from Indiana makes the same old charges against the Democratic party--charges which, I believe, of course, or he would not make them--but which, I venture to say, that no human being in his senses, or with a sufficient degree of intelligence to form an opinion, does believe, or can believe for one single instant. The payment of the rebel debt! How is it to be done in the face of the Fourteenth Amendment, which prohibits even a State from making any payment of it. The payment of pensions to rebel soldiers is positively prohibited by the Fourteenth Amendment. The paying of the national debt is guaranteed by the Constitution. The constitutionality of slavery is positively settled by the Constitution of the United States, and yet a leading Senator, one who is looked upon, perhaps, as the leader of his party in the Senate on legislation upon the subject of the Administration, has the boldness to hold up these preposterous statements to frighten the American people out of their propriety. Sir, it may do very well on the stump in the swamps of Indiana [laughter], but is it not too much to say that to men who are accustomed to reflect that the apprehensions which the Senator expresses are preposterous and ridiculous? Now, I find great difficulty in understanding the policy of this Administration. The President, in his annual message, recommends an amnesty, and here is the Senator from Indiana (Morton), one of his chief supporters, denouncing it. The President recommends Civil Service reform, and the Senator from Wisconsin (Carpenter) pours out upon the vials of his wrath upon that ridicule. I can hardly understand it; but, if I were a suspicious man, I would say that this is an old trick of the party of throwing a sop to a whale, in order that when the President says, "Let us have Civil Service reform," there is a mental reservation that it shall be limited to the reform of the year 1872; that when he says "Let us have amnesty," there is a mental reservation that the Radicals in the Senate shall kill amnesty. I do not say that any such hypocrisy rests upon the President, but it does look wonderfully strange that every important recommendation made by the President is ignored by his friends in this Chamber.

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Mr. MORTON. The Senate attributes more importance to that speech than ever I did. As to my being thought a fit person for Johnson's Cabinet, I have nothing to say about it, but I can say this much, that there never was an office in the gift of Johnson that I would have accepted. He (Blair) was willing to be Secretary of War, and he was appointed to that office. He was willing, however, to be Postmaster-General, but he never would vote for it as a separate office. He (Blair) had the name proposed by that amendment upon the Democratic ticket. That was the last remarkable mark of disappreciation of the rebellion, and he could never consent to it, because to do so would be acknowledging the rebellion was not wrong; that it was only a difference of opinion, and that the leaders of the rebellion have the same rights as loyal men to hold the highest offices of the Government. The question of amnesty had generally been argued heretofore on grounds of expediency and expectance, but he wished to consider it upon a higher plane. He thought there was a great principle involved--a principle of consequence of duty to the Government, and especially a principle of the greatest importance to posterity. If it was argued that amnesty would conciliate the people of the South. But he believed that the leaders could no more be conciliated in that way than rattlesnakes could be conciliated by pestering their extracted fangs. They would die satisfactory might give to their character, as men depend upon their consistency in maintaining that which they thought right. Sir, it may do very well on the stump in the swamps of Indiana [laughter], but is it not too much to say that to men who are accustomed to reflect that the apprehensions which the Senator expresses are preposterous and ridiculous? Now, I find great difficulty in understanding the policy of this Administration. The President, in his annual message, recommends an amnesty, and here is the Senator from Indiana (Morton), one of his chief supporters, denouncing it. The President recommends Civil Service reform, and the Senator from Wisconsin (Carpenter) pours out upon the vials of his wrath upon that ridicule. I can hardly understand it; but, if I were a suspicious man, I would say that this is an old trick of the party of throwing a sop to a whale, in order that when the President says, "Let us have Civil Service reform," there is a mental reservation that it shall be limited to the reform of the year 1872; that when he says "Let us have amnesty," there is a mental reservation that the Radicals in the Senate shall kill amnesty. I do not say that any such hypocrisy rests upon the President, but it does look wonderfully strange that every important recommendation made by the President is ignored by his friends in this Chamber.

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THE GREAT CHARITY.

How the World's Generous Gifts Are Distributed.

Sketch of the Work Performed by the Relief and Aid Society.

The Greatest Enterprise of Modern Times.

Seventy Thousand Persons Fed, Clothed, and Sheltered.

Industry Promoted and Idleness Discouraged.

The Relief Work to Continue Only Until April.

Tenants of Barracks to be Provided with Separate Buildings.

All great corporations are liable to imperfection in proportion to the numbers employed by them, and the extent of the means used to accomplish their purposes. In them the errors of the individual are indefinitely multiplied and complicated. Only when use and time have lubricated the corporate wheels, and the separate portions of the machinery are properly adjusted and balanced, does the whole approach any great degree of harmony. This is more especially true of those bodies organized to manage or disburse great charities in which the world is interested. Such associations are anomalous. They rise suddenly to fill some great exigency, and grow to full stature in a single night. Men are hastily called to the work of new bureaus from the more familiar avocations of life. The work is strange to all engaged in it. The extreme tax upon the sympathies is only propped up by the extraordinary draft upon the patience. The ready hand that would carry out the promptings of the generous heart is checked by the cold calculations of business, and the consideration of even-handed justice. There must be a purity of distribution, that no deserving person may suffer.

THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF CHARITY,

however ample, can never entirely repair individual losses in any great disaster. They can only ameliorate the condition of the unfortunates. Its managers can only strive feebly to gather up the broken threads of old associations and business relations, and so knit the present to the past. Human sympathy deranges lovers' business into what it deems a more convenient part. It grows freely to just desert, but resents passionately every suspected attempt at imposition. It is highly fallible, and charity, which suffereth long and is kind, is often deceived by the tales of the undeserving. The disbursing agent is enraged, refuses where he should have granted, and is acrimonious where he should only have been soothing and sympathetic. Then there are jealousies, heart-burnings, and finally the complaints of injustice. The public at large criticises its almoners, as it is its right, and the press raps the dispensers of the world's charity sharply over the knuckles. Simple mistakes of judgment are exaggerated into dishonesty, and what is honorably meant becomes in the eye of the malevolent, a crime that should receive condign punishment. But time and use bring experience, men are educated to their new positions, and before the charitable organization which is operating for immediate demands upon its resources, and delays by lake and railroad, it still continues and supplied houses, and food, and clothing. In short, all were provided with temporary homes. For awhile all who desired passes by railroad to other cities were granted them freely. The city was districted and the work gradually systematized. The employes became familiar with their duties, and the machinery of the society worked more harmoniously. As the city gathered heart after the great calamity, business began to seek its old channels. Work was found for the able-bodied, and fewer passes were granted. Employment was found for the pensioners of the society, and they became self-supporting. The visiting system was perfected, and greater pains taken to find out the deserving. More diligent work was done in the directions of special need, and the means of relief were diminished more liberally with the means of making their own living by giving them any kind of tools or machinery to the use of which they had been accustomed.

HEADQUARTERS.

Having given this brief sketch of the manner in which the previous work of the society has been carried on, we come to its present mode of operations. The headquarters are at No. 21 Fifth avenue, at the corner of Michigan avenue and Thirteenth street. The first floor is almost entirely given up to the distribution of supplies. The Executive Committee occupy the large room in the southwest corner, and are supposed to be in perpetual session. Adjoining this room is that of the Secretary, Mr. Hammond, Geo. M. Pullman, T. M. Avery, J. M. Harvey, S. K. Fairbank, Dr. Johnson, Adams, Boulter, C. D. Leavitt, W. H. Ranney, and Albert Wiley Dexter can usually be found here in the afternoon; Colonel Hammond and Mr. Fairbank are visible at all hours of the day. Mr. Wiley is in the department of special relief portals hours out of every twenty-four. Mr. Boulter is in charge of the Bureau of Information, and Mr. Adams spends most of his time in the basement of each week. Three or four clerks, some of whom have short-hand qualifications, assist in the labors of the Secretary. It is said that the executive ability of the whole world for aid is here represented, and that all the "cranks" who stop the mouths of all the hungry. Money was contributed by the whole world for aid; new friends, fellow-citizens, from the North, South, East, and West, have come to the city to see how strengthened. A mountain of labor rested on its shoulders. Its offices were established, and men were used to assist in a labor that was new to them. The heads of departments could not, under the circumstances, be expected to have a proper idea of their situation. The certain forces provided at the various points of distribution had even less experience than their masters. Sympathy, of the right sort, disappointed at the delays of justice, contended in mastery. Whichever way the almoner turned, he found obstacles in his path. He believes he did; he found reason to say he was asking why he had not acted differently, and ready to point out infinitely superior methods of accomplishing the same ends.

THE CONFLICTING INTERESTS.

There were many conflicting interests. Every society was in a state of chaos at the first. Each considered his claim paramount. Small business men wanted it divided among them even to sums sufficient to get them a new stock and set them again in business. Persons who had lost houses wanted them rebuilt. Many who had lost the conveniences of life desired to get them replaced at second hand before the Relief Society could afford to spend time to look up the articles. Even those who had lost their clothing could not spare so large an element of its past prosperity and her prospective position. Although these wants were felt and clad, and put in the way of business again by charity. The charity was ample for immobility. Food was and is to be had for the asking to stop the mouths of all the hungry. Money was contributed by the whole world for aid; a new Republic, Belgium, sent its mite. Kentucky and Ohio

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PROSPECTUS FOR 1872

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BUILDING CHICAGO,

Having forever greatness after its late disaster, it will be remembered, as a

PRESIDENTIAL YEAR,

which will in all probability, be an exciting one. The Tribune has promised none, and will not, in the coming year, abate the outbreak of any political offences connected with public revenue only.

Terms of the public lands for actual settlers in the Homestead and Pre-emption laws to monopolies of every description, and to corruptions in every form.

Abuses of the civil service we shall continue to denounce, instead of partisan zeal or personal feeling, the test of preferment to office.

The Tribune and the public generally, are so well satisfied with the conduct of the Chicago Tribune and Republican during the past year, that no change will be made in the character of the paper, which has helped to inaugurate the Pistol.

Sticks' saloon, No. 294 Clark street, last night. Among the guests present and a youth named Hall, who, it seems, had left his sister with him, and on his proper remark about her safety thereof, and thanked him for the kindness shown that he had extended. He remained prostrate during the night, and drew out a knife and struck at the bar-keeper, but was disarmed before he could do any harm. The latter, and the assistance of a police officer, succeeded in getting the youth locked up, and attended to, and Justice Morris, this morning, fined Hall, the wounded bar-keeper, $10 and costs, which he paid, and was discharged. Gorman made his appearance at the station-house yesterday afternoon, and settled the matter by paying the fine.

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Brief Items.

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Business Notices.

Dr. Sykes, at the rear of No. 629 State street, early yesterday morning had a lot of goods employed in the Morris block, on Fifth street, had his left arm and, yesterday afternoon, by a machine-plaster.

William Hamilton and Fred. Kelly destroyed in the great fire, rebuilt, were tested yesterday in the Chemical Manufactory. The cost of rebuilding, $600.

Chapman will hold its regular meeting in the old Common Council room, in the wing of the Court House, this evening. The vexed fire limits question.

Hunting birds are to be shot at after Saturday, beginning at 10 o'clock. All lovers of shooting will be happy to hear that Chicago has 2 scores of Bogardus and 40 out of 100. The birds will be sent to Canada, and attended to, Gorman made his appearance yesterday afternoon and settled.

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The Iceland) *News* states that there is a fund on hand for the relief of the sufferers of which had been made those of five hundred and fifty-five, free of expense, by Gibson & Co., of Liverpool, Steamship Company.

Messrs. J. N. Marks, of New York, have opened a night draft from the Chicago Fire, the balance of which by the citizens of New Orleans, proposed to send $1,000 to the sufferers by the late disastrous fire. They were out of danger for the present, but proposed a hope that Chicago would recover amount.

Meteorological.

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1872.

MR. SUMNER'S CIVIL RIGHTS BILL.

Senator Sumner insists on passing his Civil Rights bill as an amendment to the Amnesty bill. The Amnesty bill refers to the political disabilities of certain individuals; Mr. Sumner's amendment refers to certain alleged social inequalities from which. Mr. Sumner says, the colored portion of our population suffer. It is urged by Mr. Trumbull and other Senators that Mr. Sumner's proposition is not germane to the matter of the Amnesty bill, and hence that it should not be incorporated with that bill. This objection seems well founded. At all events, the Civil Rights, or, more properly, the Compulsory Social Equality measure, is of so important a nature that it should be considered by Congress and the country upon its own merits, and free from all entanglements with other questions.

But we cannot concede that Mr. Sumner's amendment is worthy of the support on its own merits. It aims to supplement the legislation which has already been had for the benefit of the negro element of our population by enacting a law to compel, under heavy penalties, all officers, managers, conductors, doorkeepers, sextons, and undertakers, of railroads, hotels, theatres, churches, cemeteries, and all other places to which the public are generally admitted, to cease all discrimination on account of color. The same law will, of course, in its enforcement, compel all patrons of such institutions, etc., to ignore and suppress all prejudices which they may have against promiscuous association with negroes, Indians, Chinamen, or other persons of uncongenial complexion. Having admitted the negro to his freedom, to the ballot-box, and to the Senate Chamber, Mr. Sumner now proposes to admit him by law to our prayer-meetings, our operas, our dancing-parties, our free-lunches, and our graveyards. Nay, more; that we shall not only admit him there, but that we shall not object to his taking a seat by our side, or dropping his hat in ours under the pew-seat, or rubbing his fist nose against our turn-up dirty shirt-bosom this morning.

To the sense people of the Caucasian race, such association is not objectionable. Others are disposed to make quite a pet of Sambo, and rather prefer him to a white man for a neighbor or companion, or, it is barely possible, for a partner in a waltz. Certainly, for most occasions of close social contact, a clean and well-behaved negro is less objectionable than a rude, unwashed Caucasian. But there are other people, and among them many of the most faithful adherents of Senators Sumner and Trumbull in their praiseworthy efforts in behalf of the negro's personal, political, and civil rights, who object, from principle as well as from feeling, to the enactment of a statute such as Mr. Sumner now urges. They consider that there is an essential difference between admitting the negro to his inalienable rights, or obvious deserts of political equality, and forcing him into associations where even to his ... and with which our laws ty, and forcin... Congress] have, properly, he is not wante... to not see that, because (especially those on... of his birthright as nothing to do. They ... of sharing the the negro has, by virtue ... to demand to an American, the privileg... less do ballot-box with us, he may as... h a de- share the better-plate with us. they perceive the propriety of such ... being enforced by act of Congress. Sumptuary legislation is not progressing well nowadays, as Mr. Sumner must have discovered in his extensive public ... experience. do not direct ... legislation, as some of our fanatical ... ers used to do, how many rows of lace a man may or may not wear upon his coat. Neither does Congress assume to say whom Mr. Edwin Booth shall or shall not admit to his theatre. We leave that, very properly, to the proprietor of the institution, who in turn, leaves it to the class of people from whom he expects patronage.

Let the Government do for the negroes, and for any other class alleged to be oppressed, anything and everything that a Government like ours can legitimately do; but let it not attempt to control people's tastes. We have already given the negro his freedom from personal slavery; we have admitted him to his full rights in courts of law, so that he can appear, either as a party, a witness, or a juror, on terms of perfect equality with his white fellow-citizen; we have endowed him with the ballot, and qualified him, legally, for the highest office within the gift of the people. These acts in his behalf we all rejoice in. They will enable him to obtain all social privileges as fast as he qualifies himself to claim them, and as the laws of human nature will permit, and that is quite fast enough.

CREDIT FOR RELIEF.

We find the following remarks in the Galveston (Texas) *News* of the 7th inst.:

In THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE of Dec. 27 we find a statement of the various sums received from the several States and cities of the Union and abroad. We have looked over this list carefully, but can not find that Texas or Galveston is credited with a dollar. Now we know that our citizens did not contribute to the world, but for "sweet Charity's sake," purely and simply, to aid the needy and destitute. No one will say a motive prompted their efforts. But for all that, when unfortunate Chicago publishes a list of those who sent it succor, State by State and city by city, it does seem a little strange that a city which contributed more than $6,000 should not be named. We have no doubt the omission is accidental, but we respectfully call the attention of the Relief and Aid Society of Chicago to the matter, and ask that it be remedied.

This graceful allusion to a defect in our relief system anterior to the Relief and Aid Society's assumption of the work, affords an opportunity for saying what we have felt for some time, viz.: that there ought to be some effort made toward ascertaining and acknowledging the precise measure of Chicago's obligation to other cities in this matter of relief contributions. The report of the Relief and Aid Society was a very blind guide in this respect. In the first place, that report was dated a month or more before the time of its actual publication, and was completed before the contributions were all in. In the next place, it acknowledged only the funds received by the Relief and Aid Society, ignoring, as a matter of course, all moneys, etc., sent to other organizations, or held for the purpose of future transmission. These are important omissions. It should be the duty of some authority (the City Government, we should say) to collect the reports of *all* the benevolent associations and orders existing in the city (including the Relief and Aid Society), and publish, not only their statements in detail, but a table prepared from them, of the total amounts contributed by all the several localities. Such a course would not only be useful in checking or tracing out any possible fraud in the distribution of relief funds, but it would be very gratifying to the cities and towns whose generosity has been exerted in behalf of our suffering citizens. We should avoid, if possible, the semblance of ingratitude.

A majority of the Committee of Ways and Means have reported a resolution which recites that Secretary Boutwell did not increase the national debt in his operations with the Syndicate, and did not pay any money not authorized by law.

We do not pretend to judge of the political exigencies which may make such a report as this necessary at the present time; but we do point to the fact that the next Secretary of the Treasury can increase the public debt one thousand millions, instead of one hundred and thirty millions, and pay three years', instead of three months', interest on the unlawful increase, without deviating a hair's-breadth from the course pursued by Mr. Boutwell in his Syndicate operation. Unless the Committee desire to see some bolder man try his hand at syndicating a larger amount of the public debt, they had better report a bill changing the law and enacting appropriate penalties for its violation, and declaring that bonds issued in contravention of its provisions shall not be binding on the United States.

THE NEBRASKA IMBROGLIO.

The condition of affairs in Nebraska is almost as disgraceful as that in Louisiana, and the motive in both cases is the same. A bill is pending before the Legislature granting 10,000 acres of land belonging to the State to a Salt Manufacturing Company. The Senate consists of 13 members; the House of 33. The House passed a joint resolution to adjourn on the 24th of January. On Friday, the Senate took up the land-grant bill, and a call of the Senate was ordered and 12 Senators answered. A motion to suspend the call was rejected,—yeas, 6; nays, 6. The Senators present were divided on the bill: *Yeas*—Fremont, Tucker, Schofield, Lush, Linch, Hilton—6. *Nays*—Hascall, Metz, Sheldon, Thomas, Abbott, Cropsey—6. No other business being in order during the call, the Senate remained in session all Friday and Friday night. On Saturday morning, a recess was taken for breakfast. The six friends of the Salt bill refused to permit any other business, and the deadlock continued. At last, Mr. Sheldon moved that the Senate adjourn until Dec. 31, 1872. The Chair (Hascall) entertained the motion as in order. Mr. Schofield appealed, and the vote was: Yeas, 6; nays, 6. The Chair decided that, as his decision was not reversed, it stood, the appeal not being sustained. He then put the motion to adjourn, viva voce. Six Senators voted aye, and three voted no, and instantly the Chair decided that the Senate was adjourned until Dec. 31, 1872.

In the House, on Saturday, the condition of things in the Senate having been made known, Mr. Rosewater moved that the House adjourn until Dec. 31, 1872. This was amended to Monday, Jan. 22, at 2 p. m. While the Clerk was calling the roll on the adoption of this motion, a message from the Governor was presented. The Speaker ordered the call of the roll to be completed, and, the motion being carried, declared the House adjourned until Monday, thus avoiding the reception of the message. The message read as follows:

STATE OF NEBRASKA, EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, } Jan. 20, 1872.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives adopted a resolution to adjourn *sine die* on the 24th inst., in which the Senate failed to concur and adopted a resolution to adjourn until the 31st day of December, 1872; and,

WHEREAS, No reasonable hope is entertained that the longer continuance in session of this Legislature will result in the adoption of any measures which have for their object the public good:

Now, therefore, I, William H. James, Governor of Nebraska, under and by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution, do hereby declare this Legislature adjourned without day.

W. H. JAMES.

On Monday, the six Senators who had refused to adjourn were joined by the absent Senator, Kennedy, and, claiming to be the legal Senate, took up and adopted the House resolution to adjourn *sine die* on the 24th, and elected Hilton President of that body. When the House met at 2 o'clock, no quorum was present and the Clerk was *non est*. A warrant was issued for his arrest, but he was discharged upon *habeas corpus*. In the meantime, Kennedy, the Senator, finding how matters stood, left the city. Neither house, therefore, had a quorum, but, by not calling the roll, they have avoided any record of that fact. The members present passed a resolution declaring the office of Governor vacant, and provided for a joint meeting of the two houses on Wednesday, to elect a Governor. In the meantime, the Acting Governor holds that the Legislature was adjourned on Saturday, and refuses to recognize the action of either faction since then.

Last summer, the Governor of the State, Mr. Butler, was impeached and deposed, and Mr. James, by operation of the Constitution, became Acting Governor. To-day, the minority of the Legislature will probably meet and go through the farce of electing another Governor, and then Nebraska will have a taste of civil war.

All this trouble has been brought about by the attempt to rob the State to endow a Salt Manufacturing Company. The fact that money involved in such ... the amounts ... grant should induce so many members of the Legislature to engage, ... in revolutionary proceedings explains, perh..., the defiance of Constitution, ... contempt of the new ... islation, or which prohibited all special ... ty to in... the grant of public money or prope... ty for individuals or corporations.

OCEAN TELEGRAPHY.

The question of ocean telegraphy is just now being vigorously agitated by the English press, with the design of securing greater facilities and a lower tariff between England and the United States. As yet, but little has been said on the question in this country, possibly from the fact that Mr. Cyrus W. Field, the great advocate for Atlantic telegraphy, is now in Europe, trying to settle upon some mutually satisfactory international scheme. Nevertheless, the existing facts, in regard both to the facilities of intercourse and the tariff of rates, are such that there should be a concert of action on both sides of the water to bring the use of the ocean telegraph within the reach of all. The cables now have been in use for five years, and no word has been heard of concession to the public, except, in one instance, of an unimportant reduction of the tariff. It is time that the public should have the first consideration. The dividends, it is stated, have already returned the cost of the enterprise to the management, and it is now too much of an exacting monopoly to demand that the public shall remain contented with three lines of cable, one of which is constantly out of order, and the second of which contains a flaw which may put it out of order any day, and with a tariff of rates which is simply outrageous in its impositions.

One reduction has been made in the tariff as a concession to other nations who wished to avail themselves of this privilege of international communication; but, even with this reduction, the price is exorbitant, and bears no proportionate relation to the working expense of the cables. The tariff is now five dollars for ten words, and no single despatch is allowed to exceed that number of words. As the address of the sender and receiver are included in the count of words, it necessarily limits the message proper to a minimum which is as outrageous in exaction as the charging for addresses. There may be some special reason for charging such a tariff known to those inside the management, but it certainly cannot lie in the working expense of a cable resting on the bottom of the ocean; and outsiders will hardly be convinced that there is any reason for such prices, except for increased facilities for paying dividends. But the cables were not laid solely to pay dividends. We were promised, with a considerable display of eloquence, that England and the United States were to be brought into more intimate communication with each other. The five years during which the cables have been worked have not confirmed this statement. Practically, individuals in private and mercantile life, on both sides of the Atlantic, are no nearer together than they were before the cables were laid. Their use is entirely impracticable for the people; only great corporations and Governments can afford to employ them. The only real benefit to the people at large which has occurred from them is the transmission of general news, and this is not always done in a satisfactory manner.

The only method of popularizing ocean telegraphy is to increase its facilities. An advertisement has already appeared in the English press inviting those interested to consider the propriety of laying another cable. The people will not object if propositions are made to lay half-a-dozen of them; and Mr. Field can do the people no greater service during his European mission, than by advocating such an increase of cables as shall tend to bring their use within the means of every one. Such a movement would be welcomed with delight by the mercantile and working classes on both sides of the Atlantic, whose interests are so closely connected. It should be the main purpose of ocean telegraphy to bring every man in the United Kingdom who has a son in this country, and every merchant in this country who has a correspondent in the United Kingdom, within talking distance of each other, and then some of the blessings of intercommunication, on which so much eloquence was expended when the lines were laid, will reach their consummation.

Lest, of Lest, Stocking & Co., testifies that President Grant did not procure for him the General Order business of the New York Custom House, and did not know what use he (Lest) was intending to make, and did make, of his (Grant's) letter to Grinnell; also, that neither Babcock nor Porter had any share in the profits of the General Order business.

That is all very well, so far as it goes. But another question remains to be answered: Why was not this corrupt business broken up a year ago, when all the facts were as well known as they are now? It was known and established then, by the Patterson investigation, that the firm of Lest & Stocking had been billeted on the merchants of New York, and licensed to exact a large sum of money from them for no services rendered, but, on the contrary, for obstacles put in their way. The testimony of A. T. Stewart, S. B. Chittenden, and other equally eminent importers, was taken and printed; and the effort then made to secure an abatement of the General Order nuisance was so far successful that an order was procured from the Secretary of the Treasury to let the merchants have their goods without paying toll to Lest, Stocking & Co. But this order was never executed. We submit that the present Committee will not have discharged their duty until they ascertain why that order was not then enforced, and why an acknowledged fraud was allowed to continue a whole year after it had been exposed.

The *Democratic Standard*, a respectable paper published at Lawrence, Kan., has an editorial in which it is stated that, at the election for United States Senator by the Legislature, one year ago, Senator Caldwell, directly or indirectly, purchased the votes of 19 members of the Legislature. The *Standard* gives the names of these persons, and in several instances states the amount paid. In one case it gives the name of one member who sold his vote for $2,000, and, in anticipation of the money, bought a drug-store in Topeka; the money, however, was never paid, though the vote was given for Caldwell. The paper in which these statements are made thus backs up its statements:

At present we are not at liberty to reveal the source of our information. Suffice it to say, that it is furnished us by different parties, all of whom claim to know personally whereof they affirm, or to be able to furnish, on any proper occasion, the names of the witnesses who can substantiate their assertions.

It is demanded that the Senate of the United States shall investigate this subject, and shall ascertain whether Mr. Caldwell was or was not elected by bribery.

A committee of the House of Representatives, in the investigation of the election of one of its members, collected testimony showing that Mr. Clayton was elected Senator from Arkansas by improper means. The Senate has taken cognizance of the matter, and it ought to do the same in the case of the Senator from Kansas.

They have had a Syndicate in China, which, for dexterity, almost equals that of last September in this country. The Government of China has had a monopoly of the salt business. It permits only the production of a limited amount, which is sold at fixed price, and is sold only by persons licensed to do so by the Government. Recently, the Government, at the suggestion of some brokers, proposed a new scheme. This was to limit the privilege of making salt to eighty persons in the whole Empire. These eighty were to be selected by lottery, and each person seeking a chance had to deposit $4,500 with the Government. One thousand persons put up the money, and $4,500,000 was deposited in the Imperial Treasury. But the Government has never had time since then to draw forth the names of the eighty fortunate salt-makers, and the money remains in the Treasury. In the United States, the Syndicate manages things better. It gets three months' interest on $180,000,000, of which it retains possession, and induces the Secretary to believe he made the most brilliant and successful financial operation known in modern times.

The sentence of the convicted Alderman Hermann O. Glade, to both fine and imprisonment, is gratifying as an indication of desire on the part of the Presiding Judge to mete out strict justice. Now let the powers that be see to it that the sentence is vigorously carried out. The fine, although as much as the common law allows, is a mere bagatelle. He was convicted of having received more money as a single bribe. The imprisonment is the real punishment, and it is due to the people whom this Glade has outraged and robbed that he should be treated exactly as any other convicted person would be. If he spends the next six months in elegant retirement, surrounded with luxuries and friends, the law is practically made null. He is in no danger of pining away in solitary confinement; for, ere the half-year is over, the jail will be enriched at the expense of the Board of Aldermen, and many of his colleagues will join him. It was the duty of the authorities to see that sentence was passed; it is their duty to see that the sentence is executed.

The Tammany Society of New York was originally chartered as a benevolent association, to provide for the sick and bury the dead, and otherwise alleviate the distress of its members. Its property was to be held for this purpose. In course of time the society became a political one, and its original object forgotten. It has had immense revenues, and owns considerable property. Of course, its expenditures have been for very different purposes than those contemplated by the charter, and now the Legislature has made a call upon its officers for a detailed report of its transactions as required by the charter. Consternation has seized its members, the most of whom never know or inquired what the original purpose of the society was, nor what its charter required or provided. The result will be a forfeiture of the charter and a disbandment of Tammany.

The New York *Evening Post*, commenting on our nice little Chicago riot of last week, has the boldness to assert that "Chicago might have been spared this disgrace had the police done their duty." We have no hesitation in branding the foregoing quotation as an unmitigated truth. Under the old English law that "The greater the truth the greater the libel," our police authorities have excellent grounds for action against the *Post*.

Colorado—Governor McCook's Message.

From the message of Governor McCook, of Colorado, we learn that this Territory is rich in prairies and lofty mountains is in a highly prosperous condition. In the opening paragraphs the message urges the importance of establishing an Immigration Bureau, with a competent officer at its head, whose duty it shall be to collect and publish facts in relation to the topography, climate, and resources of the country. Such information, the Governor suggests, should be widely disseminated through the older States especially, as the other Territories and some of the Southern States are taking active measures to attract immigrants to their different sections.

Since the last meeting of the Legislature, five different companies have built 127 miles of railway, thus adding very largely to the wealth and prosperity of the Territory. These all have their centre in Denver, and their effect upon the business and growth of that city has been marked and highly gratifying. The Governor specially commends the road running south from Denver, with only a three-feet gauge, as a great success. The extension of it south to New Mexico, he justly predicts, will give to Denver the trade and travel of the Southwest. This gauge, as the road can be constructed and operated at much less cost than the wider roads, is specially adapted to the wants of Colorado.

The finances of the Territory are in a very satisfactory condition. In 1869, it owed more than $120,000; now it has a surplus of $55,104.52.

Governor McCook justly complains that so large an area of the Territory—some 20,000 square miles—has been set apart by the General Government as an Indian reservation. The number of Utes to occupy it will not exceed six thousand. So large a territory for them to roam over will encourage them to continue their nomadic habits, instead of prompting them to engage in pastoral and agricultural pursuits. This large section in the southwestern part of the Territory is specially adapted to the rearing of cattle and other stock, and it is believed is also rich in mineral resources. If the Indians can all be settled in the Indian Territory, as the Governor proposes, it will open up the southwestern section of the Territory to settlement; but now a section as large as Maryland, Delaware, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire combined is monopolized by a few roving savages.

The public school system is highly commended. Settlers can now be assured that their children will have advantages in this regard equal, all things considered, to those they enjoyed in the older States. Of course, some parts of the Territory are sparsely settled; but the system has been well established and is yielding the happiest results.

Governor McCook argues strongly against the Grand Jury system as uselessly cumbersome and expensive. He advises that the District Attorney be authorized to file an information of crimes and misdemeanors before the Court, on the affidavit of the prosecuting witness. He also urges that a defendant in criminal and all other cases be permitted to testify in his own behalf. Such evidence, he thinks, will often explain and illustrate facts that would be obscure and perhaps incomprehensible; thus furthering directly the ends of justice.

The message is a comprehensive and able document, highly creditable to the author.

The agitation in Great Britain in favor of increased educational facilities for women seems to have obtained some valuable results. The two chief centres of advance are Cambridge and Edinboro'. At the former, women are admitted to what are called the Middle-Class Examinations. These have proved useful in two ways: by testing the extent and the nature of feminine education now, and by giving to women who wish to teach, and who are capable, certificates of intellectual ability. A Ladies' College, which was founded, with liberal endowments, some time ago, at Hitchin, has just been removed to Cambridge. This is a significant step, as it points to its future incorporation in the University. Already Cambridge has established lectures for women, and it is highly probable that, in a few years, they will have equal rights there with men. It is difficult to foretell the effect of this on the University; but if the idea of having the sexes support separate colleges under the same general government is carried out, it will obviate many apparent disadvantages of the co-education of the sexes. North of the Tweed, the main question is that of medical instruction. Three weeks ago, at a meeting of the contributors to the Royal Infirmary, the old Board of Managers, who were opposed to the admission of women as students, were dispossessed, and favorers of the "cause" were elected in their stead; so that henceforth the Royal Infirmary will receive male and female students alike. Emboldened by this success, a motion was made to open the wards of the Infirmary to the lady-students. After some filibustering, the conservative minority left the room in disgust, and the motion was then *unanimously* passed. Next day, however, the Edinboro' University Court—the highest authority—passed a resolution to the effect that it was "at present" inexpedient to allow women to study in the Medical Department of the University. They will, however, be permitted to graduate; and, with this privilege gained, the rest must be a mere question of time.

It is said that the beginning of all street-sweeping dates back to the action of a certain London merchants who attracted a great number of customers to his store by keeping a line of communication open to the other side of the street. Through many months it was the only place where any one could cross the street without sinking into black and unsavory mud, and the merchant's name and business became famous as the result of his shrewd scheme. His rivals adopted it, and finally the City Government was forced by popular clamor to take street-cleaning under its own charge. Other cities imitated the Metropolis, and the practice became a general one. It may be that a new reform is to be inaugurated now in the same city, Mr. Ruskin, disgusted with the prevalent method of keeping only the crossings free from mud, announces that he has hired three men, who will henceforth work eight hours every day in endeavoring to keep as large an extent of street-pavement as possible perfectly clean. The London papers ridicule the scheme; but all Mr. Ruskin's schemes are ridiculed at first. A good many of them attain success, and it remains to be seen whether this reform will live down opposition, and become as general as its prototype.

The contributions which the Louisiana Legislature has made to political science are many and various, but perhaps the last act of the Warmoth wing surpasses all previous achievements on either side. A few days ago, it managed to get one of the rolling Senators to take his seat, by promising that a committee would be formed straightway to repeal the four bills which have been the *casus belli*. This promise was promptly performed. The Senate passed the act of repeal, the House concurred, and the Governor signed the bill. But, now that it has become apparent that this concession will not satisfy the Carter wing, and now that the feeling between the two factions is more bitter than before, the Warmoth ... has solemnly decided that it was mistaken in thinking that the advent of that one Senator gave it a quorum, and that so the four acts in question were really not repealed at all. The Legislators of Louisiana evidently do not agree with that reasoning Judge who said that the hardest thing to pronounce in the English language was the phrase: "I have been mistaken."

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A BLOODY DEED.

A Young Man Shoots His Sister, Her Two Children, and Himself.

A Lunatic with a Revolver.

From the Louisville Courier, Jan. 23.

About 10 o'clock yesterday morning a horrible affair took place in the south part of the city. At the foot of Clay street, near the creek, a grocery occupied by a German named Greef. Mr. Greef is a respectable, well-to-do resident, and is married to a wife of a young man named Theodore Thome, who came to a German family of Greefs in the city. Thome, who has been married, has been living with Mr. Greef and was formerly in partnership with him, but that connection has been dissolved for the last twelve months, owing principally to the state of mind in which Thome had been for the latter, and still lives with his brother-in-law Greef, suffering for some time from mental insanity, produced, as is hinted, by the indiscretions of a painful character. He has suffered from insomnia, indifference to the enjoyments of life, restlessness of manner, and all those fearful signs of darkness and gloom which, in the light of history and of human life, precede and accompany the disease, mental and physical, engendered by a disregard of the laws of natural life. He was attended by Dr. Cook, and it is surmised that the members of the family were fainted into blame by an insanity were diagnosed as pseudo-medical knowledge of the case, and that those who best their willful ignorance by the fatal event. Dr. Cook, however, is not to be blamed, while

FOREIGN.

Election Troubles in County Kerry, Ireland.

The Fenians Organizing in Support to the Home Rule Candidate.

More Rich Diamond Discoveries in Southern Africa.

Agents of Napoleon Sounding the Temper of French Army Officers.

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—The Liverpool Chamber of Commerce has memorialized the company for a reduction of the tariff on cable messages.

Mary John Bray Watson, the wife murdered, has been granted a respite.

QUEENSTOWN, Jan. 23.—Arrived—Steamers Egypt and India.

News has been received of the wreck of the African mail steam packet McGregor Laird, on her way from the Cape of Good Hope to England, on the Guinea coast. The passengers and crew were saved.

The Tichborne case continues to attract attention. The claimant's chances are evidently weakening. The opening argument for the defence is still on. The court is daily crowded with spectators of high rank. The defence say they have three hundred witnesses. Revelations of an exciting character are to be looked for.

The steamers City of London and Ismania have arrived out.

Mr. E. B. Willyams, Liberal Member of Parliament, has passed off with a Conservative member in order to make a brief visit to the United States. He will visit the mines in Utah, and expects to be absent two months.

A deputation from the Anti-Slave Trade Society waited on Earl Granville, and made representations in regard to Spain's nonobservance of the treaty for the suppression of the slave traffic. Lord Granville, in reply, said it was undoubtable that Spain infringed the treaty. But the matter was too delicate for interference by England at the present time, Spain having an insurrection on her hands. The British Minister at Madrid was doing his utmost to secure the observance of all treaty obligations. His Lordship, in conclusion, said he was with his colleagues in sympathy with certain restrictions, he was insulted and attacked by a number of men. Some friends of the Bishop's interfered at his protection, if the insults then were renewed, and the meeting became very uproarious. Severe fighting ensued, and the meeting was recalled in and cleared. The police, on the presence of the disturbers, several of whom were injured by the blows from the clubs of the policemen.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—The London *Telegraph* of the 11th inst. says Mr. Scudamore reports that the total number of messages transmitted from postal telegraph stations in the United Kingdom, last week, was 217,518, being an increase of 21,400 over the corresponding period last year.

WEST INDIES.

SAN DOMINGO, Jan. 9.—General Cabral has organized a Provisional Government.

PORT ROYAL, Jan. 5.—A new Ministry has been constituted.

HAVANA, Jan. 22, via KEY WEST, Jan. 23.—A correspondence has been published between the Governments of Santiago and the French Consul at Santiago de Cuba, relative to the escape of a gentleman named Figueras a governor, and slaves to Jamaica on a French steamer. The Consul denies all responsibility on the part of his Government, and declares the police remain on the steamers during their stay at Santiago de Cuba. The demands of the Government have now reached the point that they inform the French Consul that the Spanish Consul, at Kingston, has been instructed to procure from the Governor of Jamaica the return of Figueras and the negroes, and in the event of the request not being complied with, will close the ports of the island to French steamers. The idea of reclaiming the political prisoners and slaves from the British Government is not considered absurd. The general impression prevails among intelligent merchants that the threat to close the ports is mere bluster, and that its execution is impossible.

The Cubans, on the 14th, captured and burnt the town of Guisa, killing a number of the volunteers and regulars. The Spaniards sent for reinforcements, and reoccupied the ruins on the following day.

A party of Cubans captured a convoy of forty carts near Los Tunas. Several were killed on both sides. The Cubans outnumbered the Spaniards.

FRANCE.

PARIS, Jan. 23.—It is reported that during the crash and panic caused by the fear of Thiers' withdrawal, agents of the Imperialists circulated among the officers of the army and sought to ascertain their disposition toward the Empire, and whether there was any feeling in favor of restoration.

PARIS, Jan. 23.—Members of the party of the Right Centre in the Assembly have been invited to support Marshal MacMahon for Vice President of the French Republic, but the Marshal declined to be a candidate.

It is reported that Pouyer Quertier has definitely resigned the portfolio as Minister of Finance.

MEXICO.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—Mexican advices report that the revolution is assuming formidable proportions. The revolutionists have defeated the Government forces near San Luis. It is ostensibly stated that Trevino can concentrate 5,000 men to oppose any Government forces coming to the northern frontier. Great excitement is reported in the city of Mexico over an order from Diaz, with insurgent cavalry, was in the vicinity.

EGYPT.

ALEXANDRIA, Egypt, Jan. 23.—The steamship Nadc, on her voyage to this port, encountered a heavy gale. The steamer was crowded with natives, many of whom were on deck. During the thickest of the storm a sea swept the deck from stem to stern, and 36 of the native passengers were carried overboard and drowned.

SPAIN.

MADRID, Jan. 22.—Senor Herrera, the Ministerial candidate for President of the National Cortes, was defeated to-day. The election of Herrera was made a Cabinet question, and his defeat will probably lead to Ministerial changes.

ILLINOIS.

Fifth Annual Meeting of the Northern Illinois Horticultural Society.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

PRINCETON, Dec. 23.—The fifth annual meeting of the Northern Illinois Horticultural Society opened to-day, at the Court House, with a fair attendance. After calling the members to order, Hon. Samuel Bond, Mayor of Princeton, gave a welcome address. He referred them to an original session which he had the pleasure of attending in this county years ago. The first society of the kind in the Northwest, which was composed almost entirely of fruit-growers. Of those present who attended that meeting, we now lament the loss of Kennecott, Harkness, and other names dear to thousands who now engage in the study and growth of trees and fruit. In instruction to horticulturists. He spoke of the necessity of planting more trees, on account of the destruction by fire of those most suitable to plant: of the good work being done by those in attendance; of the necessity of making horticulture a study in the Normal Schools; of the propriety of organizing Farmers' Institutes, and of the legislation needed.

Among the distinguished men present were D. W. Adams, Secretary of the Iowa Horticultural Society; W. B. Racan, Secretary of the Indiana Horticulture Society; B. Hathaway, of Mendigan; Smiley Shepherd, Tyler McWhorter, and Arthur Bryant, ex President, besides many of the horticulturists of the State and County.

The afternoon was devoted to reading and discussions on the birds, most of the discussions relating to bug-hunting. It was generally agreed that half a dozen turkeys and ducks can be taught to keep a large potato field free from bugs.

The apple was spoken of in particular, by Tyler McWhorter and others.

In the evening M. L. Dunlap, of Champaign, and Mr. Andrews, of Marengo, read essays on fruits, &c.

The speeches were spicy and very interesting.

Insurance Companies Licensed—Suit for Damages—Personal—Certificate of Incorporation Filed.

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SPRINGFIELD, Jan. 23.—The following insurance companies have complied with the laws of this State, and have received a license from the Auditor to transact business in Illinois for another year, viz.: Franklin, of Philadelphia; Rockford, of Rockford; Home, of Hamilton; Girard, of Philadelphia.

The opinion of the Supreme Court in the case of John Tolman, of the Western Railroad Company vs. D. B. Smith, on appeal from Green County, has been filed. The case was a suit brought by Tolman against Fry and Smith, collector, for damages arising from putting Smith's cattle on the track. The Court below gave the jury instructions to the effect that if the plaintiff by the act of the defendants to pay damages he might be held liable in consideration. The Supreme Court holds that the Supreme Court has reversed and remanded the case, on the grounds that such instruction was erroneous.

Judge Lawrence, of Cook, and will preside at the session of the United States Circuit Court during the week now commencing.

The Western Catholic Publishing Company, of Chicago, with a capital stock of $10,000, filed articles of incorporation to-day.

Connecticut Politics.

HARTFORD, Jan. 23.—It is probable that Governor Jewell and the rest of the State ticket will be renominated by the Republican State Convention.

Governor Jewell has received the following telegram from the Governor of Kansas: Special—Rain to-night expressed cordial approval of President Grant's Administration. Hopes it will be sustained. Kansas instructed the delegation to vote for any man.

Raid of Robbers in Texas.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 23.—A band of [illegible] at the mouth of [illegible] Orange, the property [illegible] by thirty o[illegible] forty outlaws last night. They claim to be revolutionists, but are only robbers under Juan Perdido and Sandoval. They have since returned in Texas until a few days since, when they entered the Rio Grande at Ranchita, raised men, stole horses, and robbed houses, in which one of the party was killed. They intended capturing a river steamer at Bagdad, with money. Their raid has no significance, except showing the weakness of the authorities and the lawlessness of the country.

KRIEGSPIEL.

How to Fight a Pitched Battle Within the Bench *& Any One.*

From the New York Times.

There is a strange story about Philidor, the famous chess-player. As an army officer, having as yet no particular distinguishing talent, it was his good or bad fortune to be unhorsed on a certain battle-field, and to have been ridden over by a squadron of cavalry, and by a battery or so. Some fearful confusion of this battle-field, would have turned out to to be a second Maurice de Saxe, or a Marlborough, is quite doubtful. That both Frederick and Napoleon were really fond of chess rests on very uncertain authority; but that they never rose beyond the common level of mere journeymen players is very sure. To be beaten at chess implies nothing beyond that little disagreeable uncertainty that the conqueror possesses special brains of a peculiar quality, and save some very slight mental distress on the part of the conquered, the consequences are null and void. Differing, however, very much from chess is the game of *Kriegspiel*, which might, so think German military authorities, by its thorough study and mastery, help some day to make the successful player a second Alexander,—in fact, have no other countries to conquer. Said to owe its origin to Prussia, in some methodical civilian, whose poor brains were undoubtedly addled by attempting to follow out the campaigns of the great Napoleon, and who, getting sadly bewildered in a maze of advances, retreats and situations generally, first thought of giving some practical form to the play of war by means of charts and figures like the men, or rather rank in the Prussian service, has, by an ingenious method, given this game undoubtedly something of a scientific character. It is, however, a board is a most elaborately-drawn military map. Now, an ordinary ordnance map (the Prussian one being eight inches to the mile, the English one rather smaller, and proved to be very much too small for any practical use), covering a space of thirty miles, would be very bulky, and, as strategic operations embrace now, very often, areas of from one hundred to two hundred miles, it would take a good-sized drawing-room floor to spread it on. For pawns and rooks, kings, queens, and castles, we have armies, subdivided into battalions, squadrons, battalions, companies and sections, and even lines of battle can be handled, as these many more than two people to play the game. There is a commander for both sides, and they have under them their subordinate officers. A non-player-in-chief and umpire for each side are also necessaries. Generally the umpire-in-chief gives to both sides some objective point to attain, and whoever accomplishes this is declared, if in accordance with the rules of the game, to be the victor. Each party has a map given to him, and makes his moves in private, when, at a certain time, both maps are disclosed. Anything like the confusion which so often disturbs the battle-field is not counted in this mimic war. Here, we suppose, lies the great fault of the game, as far as instruction goes. To advance, to retreat, to check a dash at some weak point, to force a defile, presents in book study no great difficulty, but there are thousands of points of minor details, which come and will intervene, rendering game of this character but mere baby play, if intended for actual ser rice. The *morale* of an army is everything. It may be so much the worse for good, breakfast, that 5,000 troops may defeat 10,000, while the same number of victorious troops, with the knowledge that but one more round of ammunition is in the cartridge box, may be broken by an inferior force. In this game the questions of supply seem to be ignored, and all those immense advantages gained from spies and other secret sources of information. What real importance this game of *kriegspiel* may have we do not know. It might be of service for the dry details of bringing troops into action, or for practice in the art of position, but as for actual service in the battle field, where that unknown quality, *x*, always exists, we should think it would be completely useless.

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The Peabody Claims Against Virginia.

From the Richmond Enquirer, Jan. 18.

Three years ago, while on a visit to the White Sulphur Springs, George Peabody, the distinguished philanthropist, transferred to General Robert E. Lee, for the benefit of the Washington and Lee University, a claim which he held against this State, amounting, principal and interest, we believe, to about $100,000. This claim was presented to the last General Assembly by the proper officials of the institution we have named, and payment asked. Objections were raised by several members that there was actually nothing due to Peabody—the claims being based upon the loss of an amount of State bonds which were sent over from England to the United States, on the steamer Arctic, which was wrecked off the coast of New Foundland, in the year 1854—the same bonds having come into the hands of said Peabody, and Peabody, Selden, Withers & Co., just about the time of the failure of the firm, and in a manner to which created suspicion as to the liability of this State for their redemption.

In 1856 the Legislature was asked to make good the loss of Peabody, and the matter was referred to the Board of Public Works, which, after receiving testimony, decided adversely to the claim. The matter was then brought before the Legislature, and was referred to the Committee on Claims, which, after hearing the matter, reported adversely to the claim. The report was adopted by the House, and the matter was dropped.

The subject was again referred to the Board of Public Works at the last session of the General Assembly, and they reported favorably in effect that their partial examination had convinced them that the matter would require a deeper research and take more time than they would be able to give it, and therefore recommended the appointment of a commission to solve the question of the liability of this State for the lost bonds.

In this position the claim now rests. We presume, however, that the commission will be soon created, and the affair heard and finally determined.

A Woman Kills a Man Because He Would Not Marry Her.

The Nashville *Banner* gives the following particulars of a horrible tragedy in Smith County, Tenn.: A private letter was received here, giving details of a murder committed recently at a tobacco stripping; on the farm of Will. Cardwell, at which a good number of neighbors were present, and among them a negro man 80 years old. Some of those present, thinking to have a little fun at the expense of the old negro, commenced joking him about matrimony. He said that he did not know of any one to marry, whereupon one of the crowd suggested: "There's Moll Quails before you; why don't you marry her?" Casting a suspicious glance at Moll Quails, and surveying her leisurely from head to foot, he slowly remarked that he would not have her. At this the woman in question became enraged, and demanded an immediate explanation. He replied that it was useless for him to say why; the crowd well knew the reason. Considering this a reflection upon her character, the woman became furious, seized a stick and beat him over the head until she thought him dead, and without the least interruption from the bystanders, coolly strode out of the barn in which the altercation had taken place.

Having occasion to return to the barn, she stopped at the door to make an inspection of its interior, and observing that the old man was not dead, and that he, notwithstanding his many wounds, arisen from where she had struck him down, she again seized the fatal piece of wood and attacked him in the most ferocious manner, breaking his skull into fragments and scattering his brains and blood some distance from where he sat.

The Jews in the Holy Land and the Prince of Wales.

London Correspondence of the Cincinnati Commercial.

In addition to the prayers for the Prince which I have already sent you, and as one of the curiosities of our times, I append the following reply to the telegram of Sir Moses Montefiore, requesting public prayer in all synagogues in the Holy Land for the Prince of Wales, which has just arrived, and is published in the *Jewish Chronicle*:

"By the help of the Eternal God, who gives power to the faint, and who increases strength to them that have no might! By the word from the Lord who made Heaven and earth: 'Seek the peace of the city, for in the peace thereof ye shall have peace.' Jerusalem, the holy city of Tebet, 5632 (Dec. 18, 1871). May peaceful salutations, like the dew of Hermon, descend on Sir Moses Montefiore, Bart. Jerusalem, the city of peace.—Amen. We beg to inform you that your telegram, dated the 26th day of Kislev (Sunday, 17th December) has reached us just after the time appointed for the afternoon prayers. Immediately made its contents known to our brethren belonging to the several Ashkenasim congregations in the Holy City, and despatched a special messenger to the Sephardim and Ashkenasim congregations dwelling in the holy cities of Hebron, Safed, and Tiberias. We then conjointly with our learned and pious colleagues assembled in the Great Synagogue, gave orders to light up the candles, and to open the Ark of the Law. The Ark opened the portals of the Holy Ark, and offered up a most fervent prayer for the speedy and perfect recovery of His Royal Highness Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, invoking the Holy One (blessed be His name!) to make him to live, to grant him health, to strengthen him, and to renew his youth. We also sent a congregation of pious and learned men to pray in the whole night (as the Jews in the City of Zion do), that by her merit prayer may while, at the same time, we ordered a congregation of equally pious and learned men to sit upon our Holy Mount (on the very spot of the ancient temple, from which spot, we are told by our ancestors, the Divine Glory never departed), and when we had concluded our heartfelt prayers for his Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, we implored God to cause His Blessings to descend on Her Majesty, the mighty and most virtuous Queen Victoria (may her glory be exalted!) on Her Royal Highness, the Princess of Wales, and on every member of the royal family. Oh, that our prayers may have been favorably received in Heaven, and that we may yet hear the good tidings that God has strengthened the Prince of Wales upon the bed of languishing, and has completely restored him to health! We pray that he may live and enjoy a lasting happiness, crowned by the blessings of peace. We remain, esteemed Sir Moses, yours faithfully,

ABRAHAM ASKENASI, SHELOMO AMELAG,
HAHAM BASSI, HAIM NESSIM BARUCH,
MOSES PENIET, AARON VALERO,
EKHAIL MEIER PAPESSI.

P.S.—We have just received a message from the Holy City of Hebron, bringing a reply to our letter, in which we invited our brethren to pray for the recovery of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. They inform us that they have offered up their prayer immediately on receipt of our letter. May their prayer also be favorably received. Amen.

A Runaway Pond.

An East Hardwick, (Vt.) letter to the Portland *Press* revives the following curious bit of local history: Long Pond, or as it is now better known, "Runaway Pond," is situated partly in Glover and partly in Greensboro'. This pond was one and a half miles long, and half a mile wide, and formerly discharged its water southerly into Lamoille River. On the 4th day of June, 1810, about fifty persons went to this pond for the purpose of opening an outlet to the north into Barton River, that the mills on that stream might receive an occasional supply of water. A small channel was excavated, and the water commenced running in a northerly direction. It happened that the northern barrier of the pond consisted entirely of quicksand, except an encrusting of clay next to the water. The sand was immediately removed by the current, and a small channel was very much deepened. The clay was incapable of sustaining the mass of water and broke, so that the whole pond immediately took a northerly course. In fifteen minutes' time the bottom of the pond was bare! It was discharged so suddenly that the country below was inundated. The deluge advanced in a wall of waters 60 or 70 feet high, and 26 rods wide, leveling forests and hills, and filling up valleys, swallowing dwellings, barns and barns, fences and cattle, as it passed, for a distance of ten miles, and barely giving the inhabitants sufficient notice to escape. The pond is supposed to weigh 100 tons was removed half a mile from its bed. The waters moved so rapidly that they reached Lake Mamprasmagog, twenty-seven miles distant, in about an hour from the time they left the pond. The dry bed of the pond remains; a portion is a cultivated field, and to-day there are many tracts of land there, five or six years old, upon our Geological Survey reported. And when we had concluded our heartfelt prayers for his Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, we implored God to cause His Blessings to descend on Her Majesty, the mighty and most virtuous Queen Victoria (may her glory be exalted!) on Her Royal Highness, the Princess of Wales, and on every member of the royal family. Oh, that our prayers may have been favorably received in Heaven, and that we may yet hear the good tidings that God has strengthened the Prince of Wales upon the bed of languishing, and has completely restored him to health! We pray that he may live and enjoy a lasting happiness, crowned by the blessings of peace. We remain, esteemed Sir Moses, yours faithfully,

Victor Hugo's "Devil Fish" on Exhibition.

A gentlemen specimen of the *pieuvre*, or devilfish, of which Victor Hugo gives such a terrible a picture in "The Toilers of the Sea," is on exhibition in the aquarium of the London Crystal Palace. He is a little creature, but reconcile it with monstrous ugliness himself thoroughly, whether it seem good to him to cling like a fly to the glass with his suckers and survey mankind, or to suddenly gather up his eight legs "with a spring in the cart-cudgel box, may be broken by an inferior force. In this game the questions of supply seem to be ignored, and all those immense advantages gained from spies and other secret sources of information. What real importance this game of *kriegspiel* may have we do not know. It might be of service for the dry details of bringing troops into action, or for practice in the art of position, but as for actual service in the battle field, where that unknown quality, *x*, always exists, we should think it would be completely useless.

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The First Locomotive in Illinois.

From the St. Louis Republican.

Illinois was the first State in the matter of railroad. The first rail was laid at Meredosia. May 9, 1838, on the first division of what was called the Northern Cross Railroad. The first locomotive arrived at Meredosia, July 6, 1838, on the steamboat Chartson. This pioneer locomotive was built by Grosvenor, Ketchum & Co., at Paterson, New Jersey. It was put on the track, and the first nine miles were laid on the eighth day of November, 1838. The civil engineer, under whose supervision the road was built, and who then and there brought in the first locomotive, was George P. Plant, the late President of the Union Merchant Exchange, and one of the best citizens of St. Louis.

On that engine, which ran eight miles and returned, were Governor Duncan, of Illinois; Murray McConnell, State Commissioner; James Dunlap and Thomas Mulvey, contractors; Charles Collins and Miron Leslie of St. Louis, and the Chief Engineer of the road, George P. Plant.

There are more than 2,000 miles of railroad in all the United States. There are now over 60,000. Yet the first locomotive of the Mississippi Valley only put itself in motion thirty-three years ago last November.

THE NORTHWEST.

ILLINOIS.

Matilda Fletcher recently lectured at Champaign on "Civil Service Reform."

—At Cairo, last week, a negro foiled a large gum tree so near the Episcopal Church that in falling, it struck the edifice, doing much damage. The roof was broken through in several places; a large hole was knocked through the side of the church, and a seat smashed inside; one corner was badly smashed near the roof; the eaves on one side were demolished; and the entire building was considerably racked. The tree was cut by the order of the Church Vestrymen, who were fearful it might be blown down upon the building some time, but an unfortunate time was selected for cutting it. The wind was strong, and blew the tree directly toward the church.

—Forty-nine of Clinton's old bachelors have inaugurated a line of defence against the onslaughts of the softer sex, to continue in force until after Leap Year is over. Their deliberations are to be held in the darkest recesses of the darkest cellar in town, which is never to be illumined by the beautiful countenances of women.

—The Davenport *Gazette* says: "Here are some South County horses—sixteen of them, the lightest weighing 1,200 pounds, and the heaviest 1,600, the lot averaging 1,400 pounds. They were bought at Fisher's stable by William Patrick for heavy hauling in Chicago, and were shipped Saturday afternoon. They resemble a drove of elephants.

—On Saturday last, workmen commenced the erection of the iron railroad bridge which is to span the intersection of Fourth and Rock Island streets, Davenport. The pattern is the Post patent triangular truss. The length of the bridge is 128 feet in the clear. The trusses are 20 feet high and 27 feet apart, permitting double tracks. One side of the bridge at either end rests on massive columns, which stand on stone foundations set in the sidewalk at the east of each abutment centre. These columns weigh 6,000 pounds each. The bridge is calculated to sustain a weight of 24 tons to the lineal foot. The Third street bridge is of the same dimensions as the above, save in the columns, which are longer, each weighing 10,000 pounds.

—Heavy capitalists from Illinois are reported as investing extensively in Northern Iowa lands.

—Mr. D. H. Woodward, formerly a resident of Keokuk, was removing thence to Florida, when the vessel containing his household goods and merchandise was wrecked on the reefs near Key West, with a loss of about $8,000.

WISCONSIN.

The *Advocate* says the Racine College opened last Wednesday, after a vacation of four weeks, with an attendance of more than 200 students. During the vacation, various improvements have been made in the building, among which is a new gallery in the chapel, by which its capacity is greatly increased.

—Mr. Russell Wheeler intends starting a number of cheese factories in Waukesha County next season. His plan is to have several small factories,—each capable of disposing of the milk of about 30 cows.

—The Caledonia *Democrat* says: "Last Monday night, at Lowell Station, a woman with two small children got upon the cars to go to the assistance of her husband somewhere along the line of the West Wisconsin Railroad. He is still suffering from a wound received during the rebellion; he was recently bitten by a bear; and later still, had been injured by a railroad accident.

—The remains of Josiah Brockett, of Sun Citizen, were buried yesterday afternoon. The body had been kept in a warm room ten days, and up to the day before the burial, was in a perfect state of preservation. The joints and flesh were still flexible, but decomposition, having set in, settled all doubts as to the possibility of life.

INDIANA.

Mr. Taylor, of Lafayette, thought he would shoot Lincoln's skull. The surgeon is assiduous in the attentions to Mr. T.

—Near Jordan Village, in Owen County, lives a man by the name of Hiram Worley, whose first wife is yet living and who has *twenty-seven children*—twenty-five boys and two girls, and all twins but one! The children are all still single, and all live at home with their parents.

—The fear of "students" still agitates the ignorant colored people of Evansville. A colored woman rushed into the United States Engine House, a night or two since, and besought protection, saying she had been pursued by a student. The idea prevails among them that the students at the Medical College kidnap unwary colored people for the purpose of dissecting them.

—The Fort Scott *Monitor* of Jan. 21 says: Judge Martin, who has just returned from Osage Mission, informs us that Moore, who murdered Cook, confessed in his dying moments that a young man from Indiana was now serving out a life sentence in the Penitentiary for a crime which Moore had committed. The name of the unfortunate prisoner we have not yet learned, but it may have been heard by some of those who were with Moore when he died."

—The Huntington Council has authorized the erection of a new school house, to cost $30,000.

—Near Shoals, in Martin County, a few nights ago, a gang of thieves went to a saw-mill, took down all the machinery, including the engine and boiler, loaded it upon the cars of the Ohio & Mississippi Railroad, hailed a passing train, hitched the cars to it, and hied away to Illinois.

—The editor of the Cicero *New Era* does not burden his readers with a long salutatory. Here it is in full:

It is the fashion for an editor to write a long introduction on taking charge of a paper, but as we are well acquainted with nearly every man in the county, it is only necessary to say that we intend to DO AS WE PLEASE, and announce that our motto is TWO ALMIGHTY DOLLARS A YEAR IN ADVANCE.

MICHIGAN.

Smuggling is said to be extensively engaged in on the exposed shore in the neighborhood of Alabaster and Tawas.

—A miller of Portsmouth, who had built a salt block and mill last fall, has contracted to deliver by railroad, between now and spring, 5,000 barrels of salt, 20,000 barrels at Toledo, 4,000 at Chicago, and 6,000 barrels at other points. The annual meeting of the Saginaw & Bay Salt Association, which was held at Bay City, Jan. 17, resolved to quit, confirming the action of the Directors. It is predicted that this will result in a decline, and one manufacturer, more sanguine than the rest of this result, sold 20,000 barrels for 35c per barrel, but the sale was subsequently recalled.

—A newspaper passed through the St. Johns Post Office, a few days since, on its way to Gratiot County, which was rather oddly stamped. It was wrapped in a piece of brown paper secure, fastened at either ends with cords, and under the end of the wrapper was an old-fashioned two-cent piece fastened to the paper by a coating of wax. The paper was mailed from some inland town in New York.

—A revival is in progress among the young people at Three Rivers.

—The Hon. John C. Phillips, Representative in the State Legislature, from the third District of Genesee County, died at his residence, in Fine Run, on the 21st inst., aged 49 years.

—The Detroit *Tribune* of the 23d says: "State Treasurer Collier has already taken action under the late decision of the United States Circuit Court on the Railroad Bond case. He declines to surrender any bonds that were issued and earned by Railroad Companies prior to the decision of our Supreme Court, and which are in his possession. Those have been a few inquiries from the Court House; she highest land about the city. Call at office and take a free ride of 20 minutes and see them. Terms easy. G. B. GRIFFIN, 220 West Randolph-st.

COUNTRY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE—OR TRADE FOR CITY PROPERTY, by A. good, improved 80-acre farm in Henry Co., Ill. Address or inquire at 40 State-st., from 9 to 11, C. J. STOUGH.

FOR SALE—OUT WEST—A FIRST-CLASS, 2 story store and general stock of merchandise, a No. 1 location; railroad certain; terms easy. Apply to or address Messrs. BOWEN, HUNT & WINSLOW.

FOR SALE—OR EXCHANGE FOR CITY PROP. erty, a first-class farm of 416 acres in Kane County, Ill., 14 miles from Dundee, 4 miles from Elgin; stream of water, fine brick house, 14 rooms, barn, orchard, timber, &c. Map and photograph of house can be seen at office of E. C. MOREY, 115 West Madison-st.

FOR SALE—OR RENT—AT A BARGAIN, A large three-story brick building, well adapted for manufacturing, with foundry attached, in Dixon, Ill. Apply to J. C. AYRES, Dixon, Ill.

REAL ESTATE WANTED.

FIRST-CLASS RESIDENCE WANTED. WE have a customer for a residence worth from $20,000 to $25,000, south of the avenues. A. & L. S. PIERCE, 274 Wabash-av.

WE HAVE SEVERAL PARTIES WANTING good residences on the avenues in south part of the city and on Prairie-av., Indiana and lots for improvement. A. & L. S. PIERCE, 274 Wabash-av.

WANTED—HOUSE OR COTTAGE AND LOT on South or West Side; must be in good repair, cheap for cash, and to be paid for in part cash and part unimproved real estate. WALKER & BROTHER, 64 West Lake-st.

WANTED—50 HOUSES, COTTAGES, STORES and Lots for sale on monthly payments. E. C. MOREY, PHILLIPS & BUFFINGTON, Real Estate Agents, 115 West Madison-st.

WANTED—40 OR 50 ACRES CLOSE IN TO SUBurbs, divided. Address R 58, 77 East Lake-st.

WANTED—TO LEASE—WE WANT TO LEASE, on long leases, 2 or 3 lots on Lake-st., suitable for stores and manufactories; also, a few lots on Wabash-av. with shed room. A. & L. S. PIERCE, 274 Wabash-av.

WANTED—TO PURCHASE—ON THE SOUTH Side, south of Thirty-fifth-st., 10 acres of ground, fronting on Halsted street, for which I will pay cash. Address, stating price, box 5,777 Chicago Post Office.

INSTRUCTION.

PONTET'S NATIONAL TELEGRAPH OFFICE, 115 Madison-st., between Clark and Dearborn, for young men and ladies to learn and engage in the telegraphing business.

PIANOFORTE.—AT A GREAT BARGAIN, A good second-hand rosewood piano, in complete order, nearly 7½ octaves. Apply at 241 Fifth-av., West Side.

SITUATION WANTED—A LADY PIANIST DE sires pupils in some village or seminary where there is no teacher; would attention to board in the city or not. Would accept of country pupils first class. Miss KITTIE ANDREWS, Joliet, Ill.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

TO RENT—20 NEW PIANOS. ALSO A LARGE assortment of second-hand organs for sale, by payment or rent. Also, the best sewing machine in the world. W. KIMBALL, 205 Michigan-av., 1st door from Van Buren-st.

SEWING MACHINES.

SINGER SEWING MACHINES.—OFFICE OF C. G. SINGER, 115 Madison-st.—Machines sold on monthly instalments, and sewing given on hire cheap.

TO LEASE.

TO LEASE—CORNER FRONT ON LAKE-ST., NEAR Clark, at present occupied by Hall & Ruckel. Apply to A. & L. S. PIERCE, 274 Wabash-av.

DIED.

BATES—In this city, Jan. 23, Joseph A. Bates, youngest son of Joseph and Sarah Bates, aged 7 years and 8 months.

Funeral from No. 312 Fulton-st. to-day (Jan. 24), at 10 o'clock a. m.

☞ New York city papers please copy.

WANTED TO RENT.

WANTED—TO RENT—WITHOUT BOARD, one parlor and one or two sleeping rooms, unfurnished. Everything must be first-class, and in a private family. Also two unfurnished rooms. West Side. Address R 71, Tribune office.

WANTED—TO RENT—FURNISHED HOUSE of 8 or 9 rooms, where board of owner will be received in payment of rent. Address U 55, Tribune office.

WANTED—TO RENT—ROOMS SUITABLE for housekeeping. Desirable location on the West Side. Would like to buy some furniture. Address, stating particulars, R 53, Tribune office.

WANTED—TO RENT—A COTTAGE HOUSE OR tenement suitable for a small family South Side, within reasonable distance of Twenty-second-st. Address T 74, Tribune office.

WANTED—TO RENT—COTTAGE OR ROOMS suitable for housekeeping in a good neighborhood. Address, stating price and quality. Address, stating particulars, D 23, Tribune office.

WANTED—TO RENT—FURNISHED OR UNfurnished room, between Halsted and Canal and Lake and Madison-sts. Address T 72, Tribune office.

WANTED—TO RENT—A COTTAGE OF 5 TO 8 rooms in the West Division for a No. 1 tenant. Apply to W. H. HAMPSON & CO., Real Estate and House Renting Agency, 285 West Madison-st.

WANTED—TO RENT—COTTAGE OF 5 OR 6 rooms, address, giving location and price, C. R. WILLIAMS, 46 North Halsted-st.

WANTED—TO RENT—HOUSE ON WEST OR South Side, with 8 or 10 rooms. Address 500 State-street or Desplaines-st.

WANTED—TO RENT—2 OR 3 ROOMS SUITAble for housekeeping. Terms must be moderate. Par unusually early month. Address, stating terms, N A 65 Hubbard-court.

WANTED—TO RENT—ONE OR TWO ROOMS suitable for housekeeping. Rent must be moderate. Call at 111 Fifth-av.

WANTED—TO RENT—A PLEASANT FURnished room in a private family, within ten minutes' walk of the Court House. Good references given. Address D 21, Tribune office.

WANTED—TO RENT—A NICELY FURNISHED room for one gentleman. Address R 18, Tribune office.

WANTED—TO RENT—A COTTAGE OF 5 rooms in a good neighborhood. Address, stating number of rooms, terms, &c., Bureau Travelers' Insurance Company, Travelers' Insurance Building, corner Twenty-third and Dearborn-sts., Chicago.

WANTED—TO RENT—ON ANY OF THE avenues on the south side, between Thirty-first and Twenty-fourth-sts., furnished house, containing from 12 to 15 rooms. Address M 9, Tribune office.

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PERSONAL.

PERSONAL—COME BACK, WILL, AND ALL will be right. Sign of eyes. M. H. P.

PERSONAL—I AM BELOVED! SEND YOUR address. I have a present for you from Paris. Constante. C. W. BLAKE, 120 West Madison-st.

PERSONAL—WILL THE SMALLER OF TWO sisters who burned a letter to Mr. Brainerd on the 19th inst. please call at 115 Madison-st., between 2 and 3 p. m. Monday, and oblige the writer.

PERSONAL—PROF. G. J. HELMER, FORMERly of the Wistar, will hear of something to his advantage by sending his address to Cutler & Hervey, Detroit, Mich. Also, a few more pupils wanted. Will instruct a family by giving us the address.

CITY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE—WE HAVE THE FOLLOWING two-story and basement brick houses on Park-av., between Twenty-second and Twenty-third-sts., for sale, on easy terms:

One 8-room house on Park-av., between Twenty-second and Twenty-third-sts.

One splendid swell front brick house on Monroe-st., near Ashland-av.

One brick house in Block 20, on West Washington-st., near Ogden-av.

One new house on Washington-st., near Ashland. Cottage and lot, 24x121, on Wabash-av., near Thirty-first-st.

Cottage on Warren-av., near Robey-st., 2 lots, 50x150 feet.

A good store and frame house near Mount Clark-st., cheap. Besides a number of fine Commercial and Residence lots in different parts of the city. Apply to KERR, DANFORTH & TEELE, Room 4, 93 South Canal-st.

FOR SALE—BY C. C. THAYER & CO., 180 AND 182 Michigan-av., corner of Jackson-st.:

MICHIGAN-AV., near Twenty-first-st., 2-first-class residences and lot 50x150 feet; splendid property.

INDIANA-AV., near Twenty-first-st., fine two-story frame and brick basement house and lot, 25x170 feet.

FOR SALE—THE VERY DESIRABLE FRAME 2-story and basement residence, No. 1 Thirty-first-st., 1 block from Cottage Grove-av., lot 24x100; good barn; will be sold cheap and on easy terms. FRED. L. FAKE & CO., 159 Michigan-av.

FOR SALE—CHEAP, HOUSE AND LOT 126 Wabash-av. Also houses and lots, at and 47 Warren-av. E. H. CUMMINGS, 103 Fulton-st., 1 to 3 p. m.

FOR SALE—COTTAGE HOUSE, 5 ROOMS, AND lot 22x136, on May-st., near Harrison, only $2,000. J. H. KEELER, 262 Halsted-st., corner Harrison.

FOR SALE—ON MICHIGAN-AV., BETWEEN Thirty-first and Thirty-second-sts., lot 50x132; very desirable residence property. J. H. KEELER, 262 Halsted-st., corner Harrison.

FOR SALE—A FIRE-CORNER LOT, 44 FEET front, on Adams-st., fronting Jefferson Park; at a bargain. Apply to owner, 187 Fifth-av., cor